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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. MTL-001

First Inventor

Markus BLUME and Markus
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Title

Method Of Searching For Data Or Data-
Holding Resources Stored Currently Or At
An Earlier Time On A Distributed System,
Where Account Is Taken Of The Time Of
Its/Their Availability

Express Mail Label No.

EF391481373US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages: 29]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
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 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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 - Background of the invention
 - Brief Summary of the invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
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4. ☒ Formal Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets: 2]
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 - a. ☒ Executed
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet and document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/ Form PTO/SB/08
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Application Number	To Be Assigned
Filing Date	February 22, 2002
First Named Inventor	Markus BLUME et al.
Examiner Name	
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Attorney Docket No.	MTL-001

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		106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
		107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
		108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
		114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
32	-20** = 12	9.00	108.00
8	-3** = 5	42.00	210.00
Multiple Dependent		140.00	140.00

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
		103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
		102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
		104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
		109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
		110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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		105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
		127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
		139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
		147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
		112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
		113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
		115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
		116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
		117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
		118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
		128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
		119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
		120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
		138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
		140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
		141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
		142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
		143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
		144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
		122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
		123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
		126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
		581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
		146	740	246	370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
		149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
		179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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